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ROAD MEETING AT PAINTSVILLE NEXT FRIDAY

BIG SANDY COUNTIES TO HAVE REPRESENTATIVES MEET THERE JANUARY 3RD.

The highway meeting of Big Sandians, called to meet at Paintsville Friday, January 3rd, is being received with enthusiasm, according to reports coming to us.

Ashland and Huntington business men are joining in the movement and promise to send strong delegations to the meeting. The newspapers of those towns are booming the project.

As stated last week, in the NEWS the object of the proposed organization is the construction of a modern road from Floyd county to Pikeville or to the Virginia line. Then would follow the necessary encouragement to roads leading back into the various counties and connecting with the main road.

Let all who are interested in improving the Big Sandy country attend this meeting.

SERGEANT MOTT OSBORN
Washington, Dec. 22.—Sergeant Mott Osborn, a Kentuckian serving with Company 11 of the 47th Infantry, American Expeditionary Forces, has been cited for distinguished service, the War Department announced today.

The citation is for extraordinary heroism in battle southeast of Bascio, France, on August 7.

Although wounded in the head and shoulder, Sergeant Osborn rejoined his platoon as soon as his wounds had been dressed, and remained with it until the command was relieved.

In this action, the War Department reports, he displayed rare qualities of leadership and judgment under heavy fire from machine guns and rifles.

Sergeant Osborn's home is at Lead, Greenup-co., Ky.

His next of kin is Nathan Osborn, of Greenup-co.

CURT JETT MARRIES HIS OLD SWEETHEART

Curt Jett, paroled December 11 from the Jefferson reformatory after serving fifteen years of a life sentence for killing James H. Marcum and James Cockrell, was married in Lexington to Mrs. Dora Hullock Atkins, an old sweetheart. Jett is now preaching in Hill-co. He did religious work in the penitentiary for about ten years. He was serving two life sentences when paroled.

WAR RESPONSIBILITY.

Examination of the secret papers of the German Foreign Office indicates that the Kaiser, the Crown Prince Ludendorff, Von Tirpitz, the big industrial concerns and the Pan-Germans were responsible in the order named, for starting the war.

MISS GLADYS THOMPSON, A YOUTHFUL POET

Mrs. R. L. Vinson has received an attractive book of verses from Miss Gladys Thompson of Cleveland, Ohio. She is the 17-year-old daughter of Mrs. Vinson's cousin, Hon. Carmel A. Thompson, formerly Secretary of State of Ohio.

In referring to the fact that Ashland friends have received copies of the book the independent says:

Friends in Ashland and Irionton of Miss Gladys Thompson, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Carmel A. Thompson of Cleveland, Ohio, former Irionton residents have received from her a most unique and very acceptable Christmas present in the form of a beautiful little book of verses written by her. The book, in itself is a very attractive gift, Kentucky is a fine sample of printers' art to justify the poems which are delightfully some thing new Miss Thompson to be sure, but of more than usual ability and a little who possesses an insight into human nature far beyond her years.

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During the following is one of the several poems contained in the book:

Consolation.

The soul is like the setting sun,
It seems to slip away,
The passing soul ends human life,
The sunset ends the day.

And when the sun is sinking low,
Cry not for it in pain,
For though that day is gone for good,
The sun will rise again.

And when your life is reaching eve,
Pray not to live it o'er,
For by morn your soul may rise,
Far higher than before.

PLENTY OF GAS IN EASTERN KENTUCKY

T. E. Dimick, a gas operator, testifying in the suit of the city against the Louisville Gas & Electric company, said there was enough gas in Eastern Kentucky to supply the city's needs if pipes were laid to carry the supply.

PEACE TERMS.

Advices from Paris indicate that the American attitude in regard to peace terms has not been definitely determined and that President Wilson is in a measure feeling his way in the preliminary negotiations.

PAINTSVILLE

From Nashville.
Fred Atkinson has returned from Nashville, Tenn., where he has been holding a responsible position with the Dupont Engineering Co.

Dun Furlough.
W. J. Ward arrived home from a New York Camp for a few days furlough. Mr. Ward had the misfortune of getting his ankle injured while on a hike several months ago and as a result of the injury he is still going on crutches.

Struck by Train.
Mrs. Will Walters, of Concord, was struck by a train and seriously injured. Mrs. Walters was standing near the crossing at the mouth of Muddy Branch when she was struck.

Killed at Ivyton.
Wopson Allen, of Green Rock, this county, was killed Tuesday afternoon at Ivyton, Magoffin county, during an altercation with Joe Dyre and a man by the name of Ray.

Turner-Whisper.
Judge C. H. Wheeler, of Ashland, and Mrs. Grace E. Turner, of Prestonburg, were married Wednesday, December 11, at the residence of the bride's sister Mrs. Nellie Roberts, in Louisville. They left Louisville Thursday for Ashland and then to Prestonburg where they will remain until after Christmas.

The bride is a daughter of Joel C. Martin, present jailer of Floyd county and a member of a large and prominent family of Floyd county. The groom is a prominent attorney of Ashland and editor of the Paintsville Post.

Good Citizen.

R. C. Burton, of Theaika, has moved to Louisa to make his future home. Mr. Burton purchased a grocery store owned by his brother, A. L. Burton, who died recently of the flu. He is a good citizen and we regret to lose him from our county.

FROM VANT WELLMAN.

A letter of November 30 from Vant Wellman, "Somewhere in France," says he is well and enjoying life. He says Scotland is the prettiest country he has seen.

DIED OF TUBERCULOSIS.

A daughter of Oscar Hughes of Lick creek, died yesterday of tuberculosis. She was about 18 years old.

OUR CHRISTMAS HALF SHEET.

In accordance with our Christmas custom the Big Sandy News is issuing only four pages this week. We are sure our readers will be satisfied with this arrangement, especially as we are giving them about all the news there is going this week.

VARNEY MOVED TO ASHLAND

Mr. Varney's success in supervising the agricultural agent, has moved from Paintsville to Ashland by order of the State authorities. They selected that as the most accessible point for the work laid out for Mr. Varney by the higher authorities.

Mr. Varney's success in supervising and pushing along the work to the various counties has been of the highest order. He has had under consideration an offer from two counties in western Kentucky, but we are delighted that he has decided to remain in this district, where there is so much room for improvement in the agricultural line and so much demand for a strong man to handle it.

1,200 FROM KENTUCKY DIED WHILE IN SERVICE

More than 1,200 Kentucky boys have given their lives, including those who died in training camps, that liberty might prevail. Their names and the record of their deeds of heroism are being compiled by the Kentucky Council of Defense through State Historian Fred P. Caldwell and county historians who have been appointed in practically every county in Kentucky.

DWELLING HOUSE DESTROYED BY FIRE TUESDAY

A house in Louisa occupied by Albert Childers and family was destroyed by fire last Tuesday afternoon. It was the one purchased by the B. & O. railway company from M. G. Berry, situated alongside the C. & O. track just across Jones branch.

The flames got under good headway during two hours that Mrs. Childers was absent from home. Very little of the contents of the house was saved, there being no water plug near enough to use. Mr. Childers has charge of the pump at the C. & O. water pump.

Strother Justice of Hellner, W. Va., was in Louisa this week.

Mrs. Zara Johnson has been quite sick for a few days.

G. H. Stambaugh has sold his interest in the Louisa grocery to Joe Cyrus. Oscar Graham will manage the business.

H. W. Williams, tax commissioner of Lawrence-co., has moved from Patrick to Louisa. They are occupying the residence recently purchased by him on Lock-av.

KEEP YOUR PLEDGE ON W. S. STAMPS

December 31 is the limit of time on the pledges signed June 28 to buy War Savings Stamps. If you have not yet bought all you promised to buy please do so at once. The government is borrowing money on short time certificates based upon the amount of W. S. S. cards signed, and you are expected to keep the pledge in order to pay off these certificates. It will be only four years until you will get your money back with 4.27 per cent interest and you also will have the satisfaction of knowing you did your duty.

Those who are cashing in their certificates now are doing wrong, except in a few of the most extreme cases. In all other cases it is unwise because they get credit for having bought stamps and unless the list of those who demand their money back is published, they will get credit for something they do not deserve.

The fact that the war is over makes no difference with this obligation. The money has already been spent. The greater part of the expense of the war will continue as long as the army remains to be fed and clothed and transported.

Suppose the authorities at Washington should order the postmasters at all county seats to have published a list of all persons who cash in their W. S. S. certificates in 1918 and 1919? How would these feel who have their names in that list? Of course, in cases of extreme necessity, it would be all right. But there are very few such cases amongst those who bought stamps.

WEBBVILLE.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Johnson, who was seriously burned several days ago, died Friday morning at one o'clock. The remains were taken to Cherokee Saturday for interment.

Influenza is raging in our community. Mr. Albert Kitchen and family have been stricken with it.

Very sorry to hear of Uncle Levi Kitchen's death.

Dorothy Hammond and Ida Bell Chaffin were shopping here Saturday.

Miss Dorothy D. Webb is clerking in Eliza Smith & Son store.

Fred, Bertha and Irene Lang were visiting the Misses Ruth and Eunice Thompson of Jettie Sunday.

Mrs. Mollie Shepherd and Mrs. Sallie Gardner were visiting the sick families of Albert Kitchen and Horace Thompson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Walters and daughter, Mrs. D. J. Thompson, attended the burial of their daughter and sister, Mrs. Roscoe Walters, at Catlettsburg.

Miss Maude Webb, who has been employed at Washington, D. C., spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. J. P. Lang, recently.

Charley Holbrooks passed through here enroute to Blaine to visit relatives.

Essie and Estill Roberts spent Sunday with the Misses Ruth and Allie Shepherd.

Walter Thompson, who has been attending school at Wilmore, is at home for the holidays.

Samuel Shepherd had the misfortune of losing two fine calves.

Mrs. Eliza Smith and daughter, Ruby, who have been visiting relatives at Logan, W. Va., are expected home soon.

Myra Frailey and Clara Sparks were shopping here Saturday.

George Stewart is very ill at this writing.

We are glad to see the soldiers returning home.

Dr. D. J. Thompson and wife attended the funeral of Mrs. Roscoe Walters, who died at Washington, D. C., and was brought to Catlettsburg for interment.

Miss Mary Shepherd, of Huntington W. Va., is visiting her brother, Samuel Shepherd.

Pvt. Green Perkins, of Camp Taylor, is home on a nine day furlough.

Clyde Kitchen and father, of Iowa are visiting friends and relatives here.

Mrs. Elizabeth Pennington will go to Ohio to spend Christmas with her children.

Jake and Omar Lang made a business trip to Ashland last week.

Mrs. Lella Wilcox, of Grayson, was calling on friends Friday night.

Gray Eyes.

Miss Esther Waller came down from Van Lear to spend Christmas at her home here.

Wm. Conley was in Louisa on a few days furlough, returning Wednesday to camp in New Jersey.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE SENT BY THE PRESIDENT

President Wilson sent this Christmas message to the American people: "The American soldiers overseas are in the spirits and the Allies are striving to effect a lasting peace."

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. McAlpine of Pt. Pleasant W. Va., are guests of Mr. Sam Bromley and family.

Sergeant Carl Picklesimer arrived at home from camp a few days ago.

Leonidas Bromley, who is attending school in Georgetown, is spending the holidays at home.

Mrs. Sayde Reynolds Langhorn of Mantoo, Virginia, is in Louisa to spend the winter with her parents.

CASUALTY LIST

Dewey Peck, of McRoberts was wounded in action.

David Martin of Hindman, previously reported missing, was killed in action.

Patrick Belcher, of Millard, Pike county, is among the slightly wounded.

Patton Potter, of Ashcamp, Pike county, is reported missing in action.

Capt. Harry A. Sabiston, of McVeigh, Pike county, was severely wounded.

Grado Burchett, of Prestonsburg, died from accident.

Jas. Caudill, of Iticoville, was wounded, degree undetermined.

Earl Artist, of Rush, was wounded in action.

Dave Kendrick, of Pikeville, was wounded.

Herbert O. Lynch, of Alvin, was slightly wounded.

John Miller, of Catlettsburg, was severely wounded.

Sgt. Reginald Wheeler, of Salyersville and Harvey G. Virgin, of Grayson, were wounded.

Lorena Ward, of Boone's Camp, was wounded in action.

David Pennington, of Ratcliff, was wounded severely.

Claude Vanhoose, of Nippa, was wounded.

Chas. Leslie Huffman, of Pikeville, was wounded severely. Also W. H. Goodman, of Olive Hill.

Monroe Stambaugh, of Sip, was slightly wounded.

Dewitt Pigman, of Hindman was wounded, degree undetermined. Also Henry Moore, of Catlettsburg.

Edward A. West of Ashland, Jas. S. Dean, of Warfield, and Howard Vaughan, of Rush, were slightly wounded.

John W. Wolfe, of Davella, Martin county, was severely wounded in action.

Jas. Manley, of Hardy, Pike county, and John Nickell, of Canaan City, were severely wounded.

Wassell Pellox, of Van Lear, was slightly wounded.

Sergeant Herbert Ward, of Paintsville, was wounded severely.

Private Rus Cordle, of Cordell, was wounded slightly.

Dr. Harry R. Parker, formerly of Williamson and Huntington, W. Va. died suddenly in an army hospital at Camp Mills, L. I. Monday of pneumonia.

M. E. CHURCH SOUTH.

"The Inspiration of New Missionary Advance" is the subject Sunday morning. "Intolerance" is the evening subject.

Morning service 10:30.
Evening service 8:30.
Epworth League 5:30.
Sunday school 9:00 a. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday 6:30.
Bible Class 6:30 Thursday p. m.
Your presence at these services earnestly desired. HERBERT O. CHAMBERS, Pastor.

LAWRENCE COUNTY MAN.

Frank Nunley of Itewitt, this county, is among those wounded, degree undetermined.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS.

Private Beckham Wellman sends "Christmas Greetings to all the folks back home in the good old U. S. A." He is in American Red Cross Army Hospital No. 1, France, having been wounded near the close of the war.

WOUNDED SOLDIER BACK AT HOME

tra Hall, wounded at Chateau Thierry, is here visiting his aunt, Mrs. Phil Greer, and other relatives. He has not been released from the hospital and is using crutches to get around. He received a bad wound in one leg. This occurred in the latter part of July during the fierce battle that turned the tide of the war.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Garred A. Hobart Thompson, 21, to Myrtle Williamson, 19, of Cherokee.
Ephraim Spaulding, 41, to Mary Ellen Miller, 27, of Martha.
Henry Rowe, 21, to Esta Lowe, 16, of Georges creek.

Austin Webb, 20, to Vata Holbrook, 19, of Gladys.

Robert Daniels, 19, to Maria Susan Cox, 19, of R. D. 1, Louisa.

Fred Campbell Sergeant, 22, to Myrtle Pack, 20, of Blaine.

Bert Hampton, 30, to Nora Clay, 24, of Louisa.

Willie K. Hayes, 21, to Martha E. Thompson, 20, of Jettie.

A. J. Mills, 21, to Ethel Dials, 16, of Louisa.

REAL SERVICE IN THE NAVY

INTERESTING LETTER FROM A BOY ABOUT HIS FIRST TRIP ACROSS THE OCEAN.

Hoboken, N. J., Dec. 20, 1918.

Editor Big Sandy News:
I promised a long time ago to write my friends through the Big Sandy News.

I shall give a brief account of my experiences since I left Louisa last April and I hope it will prove interesting.

I left Louisa on April 13, 1918, for my home at Rainier, Oregon, with the intention of joining the navy. After five weeks at home I enlisted in the U. S. Naval Reserve Forces and reported at the Navy Yard at Bremerton, Wash., on May 22.

I shall not dwell on life at the barracks. It's about the same as the army's and most everyone is familiar with that. I was there just a few days and was notified that I was assigned to a ship, the U. S. S. "Western Sea." I learned that she was a cargo transport and was disappointed because I wanted to get on a fighting ship. No use to feel bad about it though, so I resolved to make the best of it. I began changing my mind about her as soon as I saw her. She is of 8800 tons burden and a fine looking ship. She was newly painted and all camouflaged beautifully.

We all went aboard and I got a still better impression of her than over, but have changed my mind some since then.

We steamed from Bremerton to Seattle and began taking on a cargo of flour for France. That looked good to all of us as we were sure of getting "over there," before the big scrap was over.

We were all assigned to our respective duties before we left Seattle. I was put on as oiler in the engine room. We put to sea with a full cargo of flour and I'll say right here that 8,800 tons of flour is SOME PILE of flour.

We had "Green" crew, none of the enlisted men having been to sea before and some of the officers hadn't either. On the last day of June we left Puget Sound and ran out into the Pacific and struck a gale right off the reel. She began rolling in the swells pretty badly and we began to get sea sick and do what everybody else does when they get seasick. You never know how much you have eaten till you get good and sick at sea. I was just as sick as anyone, perhaps sicker than some. That only lasted a couple of days and I began to enjoy my new experiences before the weakness left my knees.

On the night of July 23 we struck another severe blow and broke down. They called out the entire engine room force and we all went below and found things in a bad shape below decks. We were lying in the trough of the waves and she was rolling so bad you couldn't stand up unless you had something to hold onto. We got sick again and had a merry old time getting our repairs made. We finally succeeded in getting up on eight days repairing. While there I had the opportunity of going aboard the famous old battleship "Oregon" and visiting my brother, Clyde who has been in the service four months longer than I. We spent a night in Frisco and had a good look over the town. I was surprised to find marks of the earthquake still visible all around.

We left Frisco for the Canal on July 13, and had a nice trip down there excepting for the extreme heat. I doubt if you would believe me if I told you how hot it actually was.

We passed a great many whales and sea turtles, some of the turtles were four feet in diameter. We also saw a lot of flying fish. They fly up in front of the ship a good deal like birds when you walk through a field.

We reached the canal and laid over there three days. I certainly enjoyed being in a tropical country. It was "winter" to them and it was so hot we couldn't sleep at night. Just imagine what sort of a winter that seemed to me after spending the winter in Kentucky a few months before?

I can't begin to describe the canal itself, as that would make a book all alone. Without a doubt it's the world's greatest piece of engineering and is certainly a wonderful sight. The famous Culebra cut through a hill high as the town hill back of Louisa and is a wonderful sight. The canal has a depth of 80 feet and is just wide enough for two large vessels to pass any where.

We went through there August first and had a good run to New York. Not a thing of interest happened from the canal excepting a submarine sank a ship about 30 miles astern of us off the Virginia coast. We sailed into New York Harbor August 11 and got my first view of the Statue of Liberty and the tall buildings of New York City. We docked in Brooklyn and laid there three weeks, repairing. We took on a deck load of army trucks and a good supply of fuel oil and put to sea in a convoy on September 1. We were supposed to have guns put on but we left without and most of us felt a little uneasy on that account. Most ships of this type have a five-inch gun forward and a six-inch aft.

We put to sea in a convoy of 27 merchant ships and a few destroyers. The seaplanes and dirigible balloons and sub chasers were with us the first day out, but turned back before night.

We steamed five days and put into Sydney, Nova Scotia. We anchored there over night and next day put to sea again in a convoy of 45 ships besides the gunboats and destroyers. I don't expect to ever see a finer sight than that was. We ran in nine lines with five ships to the line. Most of the ships were armed and we were put near the center, because we had no guns.

The gunboats left us about three days off the Canadian coast, and we went on alone. We had fair weather and crossed in 16 days. We could have crossed sooner but it is necessary to run such a large convoy slow in order to keep all the ships together. Even at that, twelve were disabled in some way or other and fell behind.

The remaining ships were met by destroyers about three days out from England and before we got to the English Channel we had 30 destroyers with us. The convoy split up there, part going to England and part to France. We steamed into Brest, where President Wilson lately landed and laid there two days and nights. From there we steamed south in another convoy of 34 ships and ran into harbor for three successive nights. It was full moon and the subs can do exceptional work in moonlight.

We steamed into the mouth of the Gironde River on the third night after leaving Brest. We were headed for Bordeaux which is about thirty miles up the river and is the third largest port in France.

We had to wait at the mouth of the river 10 days for a dock, as shipping is very congested over there. When our time was up we steamed up the river and had a splendid look at France. I was off watch and was on deck all the way up the river and had a good look at the fields and well-kept vineyards and old chateaus. The people all stop their work and wave when they see an American ship come in.

We docked in Bordeaux and discharged our cargo. We were there 12 days and I was ashore a good many times and enjoyed those strange scenes immensely. We all had a lot of fun trying to talk to the people that couldn't understand us. I haven't space to tell about what I saw there. I got good many souvenirs and brought them back to the States.

We took on about 600 tons of ballast which wasn't near enough and we pulled out for the mouth of the river again. We laid there two days and got orders to proceed in a 12 knot convoy. On Oct. 15 we put to sea in this convoy and they simply ran off and left us. We couldn't make any speed on account of not having enough ballast. Our ship is exceptionally light and when empty she requires ballast equal to 40 per cent of the load to make her run good. If the ballast is less than that the propeller will be out of the water and she won't make any speed to speak of.

We followed the convoy all alone for two days and nights and turned back for the harbor. We were getting warnings of subs all the time and none of us expected to get back to the French coast without being torpedoed, and without guns we would have been helpless, too. We made it, though, and got back without sighting any thing at all, neither ship nor sub. Believe me it was a relief to get behind those submarine nets in the harbor.

The skipper demanded more ballast and about that time the flu broke out and we got quarantined. That certainly was discouraging.

We got our ballast though and all, too, while in quarantine, and after trying at anchor two weeks we got orders to proceed in a 10-knot convoy. We now had on 2800 tons of ballast and things looked more favorable. We were all afraid we wouldn't get to New York for Thanksgiving.

We started out of the harbor again Oct. 29 in a convoy of

FORD

The Universal Car

I have just received notice from the Ford Motor Company that they are beginning to manufacture cars and will soon be ready to fill orders. On account of the scarcity of labor and material they have requested their agents to procure orders and file them and all orders will be filled by the company in the order they are filed. So it will be necessary to have your order on file with your agent and he with the company in order to get your car when you want it. Agents are required to take orders on blanks furnished by the company, and purchaser is required to make a cash deposit of \$25 with the order. The prices are unchanged and will remain so for some time. Price of 5 Passenger Touring Car \$525 F. O. B. Detroit, Mich. Price of Ford truck without body \$550. Remember, you can not wait until spring to get your order in. They will be filled in the order in which they are filed.

Augustus Snyder

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It is predicted the dry amendment to the constitution of the United States will be ratified before the first of March by the legislature of more than three-fourths of the States in the union.

President Wilson ate Christmas dinner with the soldiers on the frontier of Germany, taking his food from a regular mess kit right along with the boys. From there he started for England, where a big reception will be given him. He will return to France after a short time and will keep in close touch with the peace conference.

Regardless of the fact that certain rival organizations are now spreading propaganda of a disparaging kind it is true that the Y. M. C. A. did great work in the war and army camps. Mistakes were made at some places and there were a few incompetent men of course, the same as in the other organizations. Men were dismissed from the service when found unfit. Everybody knows that some of the best and most self-sacrificing men in the world are giving themselves up to this work and they are neither gruffers nor incompetents. They have done and are doing the work of the organization as efficiently as possible considering the great difficulties imposed by the

war. This is a warning against propaganda.

LAST CALL FOR TAXES.

All persons that have not paid their tax please call and do so, as they are due and must be paid within the next few days. It is our duty to levy after January 1 on all who have not paid. Wm. TAYLOR, Sheriff.

CHEERFUL WORDS

Far Many a Louisa Reader

To have the pains and aches of a bad back removed—to be entirely free from annoying, dangerous, urinary disorders, is enough to make any kidney sufferer grateful. The following advice of one who has suffered will prove helpful to hundreds of Louisa readers. Mrs. James Q. Lackey, Lock Ave., says: "Several years ago I used Doan's Kidney Pills and from the results I received, I can say they are a splendid remedy. At that time I suffered with weakness and lameness across my back. My kidneys were irregular in action, too. It didn't take Doan's Kidney Pills long to rid me of the complaint and help me in every way. I certainly have great faith in Doan's Kidney Pills and think them a good, reliable kidney remedy."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Lackey had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y.

OBITUARY.

The year rolls round and steals away the breath that first it gave. What'er we do wher'er we be we're traveling to the grave. Dangers stand thick upon the ground, to push us to the tomb, and fiercer diseases wait around to hurry mortals home.

Mrs. Nancy Messer was born in Clarke County, East Virginia, November 5, 1851 and departed this life on Nov. 10, 1918, aged 67 years and five days. She left the home of her daughter, Mrs. Nancy Harman, of Cadmus, Ky., in the month of August to visit

her relatives in Wayne county, W. Va., and her daughter, Mrs. Minna McGuire at Rose Siding, W. Va. While at Rose Siding she took the Spanish influenza and sent for her two daughters, Mrs. Harman and Mrs. Goina who went to her bedside at once. Her dear daughters and dear friends and noble hearted physician did all for her that they could do, but could not stay the fierce hand of death.

She joined the church in the year 1908 and was converted the same year and lived a most consecrated life. She lived in four counties in East Virginia, two counties in West Virginia and three in Kentucky and had a large circle of friends that loved her. She was called by many of her friends as well as her children "Ma Messer." There are not many homes in our country that she has not been in. There are not many poor people in our country that "Ma Messer" has not helped in some way. She was mother in a true sense. Though she is gone she is not forgotten. Her memory will last as long as her friends and relatives live. While we mourn our loss Heaven has gained a noble soul, another mother. She told her dear friend, Mrs. V. D. Harman, when they went to part that if they never meet any more on earth she hoped they would meet in Heaven. God help us to live so as to meet her and the rest of our redeemed loved ones in a country where there are no wars or diseases.

Jesus said that if we might live might live to God alone. In Him eternal life received. And be in spirit one.

Adam Harman.

REAL SERVICE IN THE NAVY

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mations. We put in at Halifax and took on oil and provisions. We got in there early on a certain morning and had been in the harbor only a few hours when the "Antika" that had left us on the other side, was towed in and anchored near us. We had the laugh on them after all. She had been in the same storm we were in and had run out of coal and had to send a wireless for tugs to tow her in. We also learned that the "Marthusik" had just arrived a little ahead of us. We beat them both into New York.

I put in for a furlough and upon our arrival in New York it was granted. We got our mail soon after reaching port and it was a treat indeed. We had not received any mail since leaving New York before and three months is a long time not to hear from your best girl.

We have been in the war zone long enough to get a gold service chevrons and the boys, including myself, all had one put on our left sleeve as soon as we got ashore. I left for Kentucky on my furlough the next day after we docked and arrived in Louisa late on Thanksgiving day. I spoke before about being fed on short rations and I certainly have to hand it to the good cooks of Lawrence county for fixing a meal for a hungry sailor. And those who saw me eat, who read this, will smile I know, when they remember how I went after that chicken and pie. I have had some good times in my life, but no time of equal length can compare with the six days I spent in Kentucky and West Virginia.

It back aboard ship now and we have taken on another cargo of flour and sail at 7 a. m. tomorrow morning. We all hate to leave so soon before Christmas. The fleet is due here now and sailors will have a big time in New York and we would get in on it, too, if we could only be here. Oh well! life can't be all roses. So here goes for France again tomorrow a. m. I have now completed a trip of about 22,000 miles since I left Louisa last April. I am quite sure I am at the head of the list of Lawrence county boys for long trips.

Wishing all my friends a merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year and success to the Navy, I remain,

Sincerely,
THEODORE W. O'NEAL

All the Sunday schools had Christmas trees last Tuesday evening and they were well attended.

Thank You

We are grateful for the patronage that came to us from Big Sandy during 1918 and shall try to merit a continuance of it in 1919. Wish you all the greatest prosperity

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Rossville, Ga.—Mrs. Kate Lee Able, of this place, writes: "My husband is an engineer, and once while filling, he injured himself with a piece of heavy machinery, across the abdomen. He was so sore he could not bear to press on himself at all, on chest or abdomen. He weighed 165 lbs., and fell off until he weighed 110 lbs., in two weeks.

He became constipated and it looked like he would die. We had three different doctors, yet with all their medicine, his bowels failed to act. He would turn up a ten-cent bottle of castor oil, and drink it two or three days in succession. He did this yet without result. We became desperate, he suffered so. He was swollen terribly. He told me his suffering could only be described as torture.

I sent and bought Theodor's Black-Draught. I made him take a big dose and when it began to act he fainted, he was in such misery, but he got relief and began to mend at once. He got well, and we both feel he owes his life to Theodor's Black-Draught."

Theodor's Black-Draught will help you to keep fit, ready for the day's work. Try it! NC-124

Jas. B. Hughes and Nell E. Conley are visiting in Huntington.

Robt. Shank and wife are here from Washington visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Shank. Mr. Shank is in the aerial mail service from Washington to New York.

his family here. He is located in Lexington with the Carey-Rice Contract company. Mrs. Roberts and children will accompany him to Lexington and spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Snyder and May or Augustus Snyder and wife were called to Ironton, Ohio, by the death of their niece, Miss Birdie Snyder. Her death was caused by influenza. The funeral took place on Monday.

AN UP-BUILDING FORCE

Regardless of climate or environment, Nature exacts her toll of wear and tear on the system and there is frequent need for an effectual aid to restore strength and vitality.

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a systemic strengthener, free from alcohol, nourishes and replenishes the needs of the body naturally. Scott's may be used daily, in any climate, with benefit and strength to the body. Take Scott's Emulsion—it builds up the body.

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TO THE TEACHERS.

When school closes please return to County Superintendent Bakers' office all books and tablets that have not been given to moonlight school pupils. All pupils in this work are to keep the books as their own.

I know very little can be accomplished this year in this work owing to the epidemic of influenza, but I appreciate most sincerely every effort that has been made by both teachers and pupils to help in this splendid movement.

I hope that every teacher who has done some moonlight work, this year, will make out a report and enclose with books you send to the office. If your books have been given out please send report anyway. Be sure and put your names and address on packages returned so I will know whose to check off.

I want every pupil of the moonlight school work to write me a letter. I will appreciate it greatly.

MATILDA WALLACE, Louisa, Kentucky.

NOTICE TO GAS CONSUMERS.

Notice is hereby given that, commencing as of January 1, 1919, the rate charged by the undersigned for natural gas in the village of Louisa and the rural districts of Lawrence county, Kentucky, supplied by the undersigned, will be twenty-seven (27) cents per thousand cubic feet, subject to a discount of two (2) cents per thousand for payment on or before the tenth day of the month following that in which the gas is used. The minimum charge will be fifty (50) cents per month. The new rate will apply to all gas furnished after the meter readings in the regular course of business for the month of December, 1918.

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Men and women, ages 16 to 45, who have finished eighth grade or its equivalent, are wanted, from each county for business positions paying up to \$125 a month. Chances for promotion good. Experience NOT necessary. We train you. Mail this:

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Look at the kiddie's tongue! Then hurry! Give Cascarets to work the nasty bile, souring food and constipation poison from the little liver and bowels. Children love "Candy" Cascarets. Harmless! Never gripe! Never disappoint! Cost 10 cents a box.



MOTHERS! When your child is irritable, feverish, when the little tongue is coated, breath tainted, give harmless Cascarets to thoroughly cleanse the stomach, liver and bowels—then don't worry! Full directions for children's dosage at all ages on each 10 cent box.

BIG SANDY NEWS

Friday, December 27, 1918.



Atty. A. O. Carter was a visitor in London, O., on Monday.

Mrs. J. J. Johnson of Jenkins, was the guest of Wm. Carey and family this week.

Miss Sue Bromley, who is teaching at Van Lear, visited home folks in Louisa this week.

Victor Muncy, son of H. H. is at home from Cincinnati for the holidays. He is taking a course in mechanical engineering and is making a good record. He has been elected president of his class, an honor that speaks well for him.

NOTICE

I now have in my hands funds to pay all outstanding county claims for both common and Road and Bridge, from Nov. 1, 1918, to 1919, and payable out of the levy for the year 1918. Also all outstanding claims issued at the April term, and payable out of the levy for the year 1918, common fund, from Nov. 1 to 17, and Road and Bridge claims allowed at the April term, 1918, and payable out of the levy from the year 1918, from Nov. 22 to 32.

Those holding any claims as set out above will call at the county treasurer's office and present their claims for payment at once.

Yours,
W. T. CAIN,
Co. Treas. Lawrence Co.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY

In the matter of The A. L. Furness Produce Co.

Bankrupt. To the creditors of The A. L. Furness Produce Co. of Louisa, in the county of Lawrence, and District of Kentucky, a bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given that on the 18th day of December A. D. 1918, the said A. L. Furness Produce company was duly adjudicated bankrupt and that the first meeting of its creditors will be held at the office of the undersigned referee, in Ashland, Ky., on the 23rd day of January, A. D. 1919, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time said creditors may attend, prove their claims, present in trust, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

H. O. BECKER,
Referee in Bankruptcy.
Ashland, Ky., Dec. 24, 1918.

TWO FARMS FOR SALE

I have two farms for sale. One farm consists of 56 acres of bottom land and 16 acres hill land. The bottom land consists of 10 acres of overflowed land and 46 acres of smooth bottom, all of which is in good condition. Lays on good road. Well fenced. Small house and barn. Will sell for \$2,000.00 cash or Liberty Bonds.

The other farm contains 250 acres of land of which 20 acres is bottom and the remainder hill. Has 150,000 feet of good saw timber poplar, oak and pine. Log house and barn. This farm has 75 acres of best cow land for tobacco. Will sell this farm for \$2,000.00 cash or Liberty Bonds.

I am 64 years of age and have no family except my wife and mother. I own and conduct a drug store in Vanceburg and these farms require too much of my time looking after tenants. Would like to sell both farms to one man, but will sell either or both to the same person.

I am a native of Big Sandy and will treat any man to the best I have that will come to see the land. Write if interested. ROBERT STROTHER, Vanceburg, Kentucky.

Stomach on Strike? Here's Relief!

No Indigestion, Gas or Sourness

Upset stomachs feel fine. All indigestion, gases, sourness, heartburn, brash or acidity goes instantly. No waiting!

Quickest stomach relief known. Just as soon as Pape's Diapepsin reaches your sick, unsettled stomach all stomach misery stops.

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UPSET? Pape's Diapepsin

PERSONAL MENTION

Rev. J. T. Pope and wife have as their guest their son, Leslie, H. G. Bryant of Webbville, was a business visitor in Louisa Saturday.

Kndokah Hatten was down from Paintsville Sunday.

Mr. Ed. Carpenter of Chelmsford, was a visitor in Louisa Sunday.

Miss Bertha Conley of West Van Lear, spent Sunday in Louisa.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Simpson of Ashland, spent Christmas in Louisa.

Miss Frances Reynolds of Prestonsburg, was in Louisa Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McMyer of Nitro, W. Va., were guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. John Alley of Nitro, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Crutcher.

Ed. Spencer will not get home until New Years Day. He expected to spend Christmas at home.

Will Hale is at home from Harvard, where he is taking the radio-course provided by the navy.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Johnston, of Nitro, and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Parsons, of Ashland, were guests of Wm. Carey and family Christmas.

Sergeant Rebel Martin arrived Sunday from Camp Taylor for a few days visit to Louisa friends.

Lieut. C. B. Walters is here from Lexington to spend the holidays with his family.

Dana O'Neal arrived Tuesday from Irvine to join his family. They are guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Spencer.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Thornburg and daughter, Miss Dolly of Huntington, W. Va., are guests of Mrs. John B. Vaughan.

Mrs. Josephine Rice has gone to Mt. Vernon, Ohio, to spend the Christmas holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Howard Hays.

Corporal Gus H. Snyder, Luther Atkins, Tom Taylor and Roy Runyon, who are attending school in Lexington, came home Sunday for the holiday vacation.

Misses Elizabeth and Martha Yates, Ellen Hughes, Emily Conley, Alva Snyder, Bessie Burns, Vivian Hays and Lou Chaffin were shopping in Ashland Saturday.

Nell H. Conley, who had been in a naval training school at Pelham Bay Park, New York, received his discharge and returned home Sunday. He enlisted for the duration of the war only.

Junior Lackey arrived home Monday evening from Camp Wheeler, Ga., to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Q. Lackey.

Miss Garnett See, who attends Georgetown college, is spending the holidays at her home in this city.

Mrs. Helen Gearhart returned from Barboursville, W. Va., where she was called by the illness of her daughter, Mrs. Marsh and family. Miss Gail Marsh will remain there until the first of the year when school resumes.

GIRLS! HAVE WAVY THICK, GLOSSY HAIR FREE FROM DANDRUFF

Save your hair! Double its beauty in a few moments—try this.

If you care for heavy hair that glistens with beauty and is radiant with life, has an incomparable softness and is fluffy and lustrous, try Dandruff. Just one application combes the beauty of your hair, besides it immediately dissolves every particle of dandruff; you cannot have nice, heavy healthy hair if you have dandruff. This destructive scrub robs the hair of its lustre, its strength and its very life. If not overcome it produces a feverishness and itching of the scalp; the hair roots furnish, loosen and die; then the hair falls out fast.

If your hair has been neglected and is thin, faded, dry, scraggy or too oily get a small bottle of Knowlton's Dandruff. Apply it to your hair, rub it counter for a few cents; apply a little as directed and ten minutes after you will say this was the best investment you ever made.

We sincerely believe, regardless of everything else advertised, that if you desire soft, lustrous beautiful hair and lots of it—no dandruff—no itching scalp and no more falling hair—you must use Knowlton's Dandruff. If eventually—why not now.

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A good resolution for the hard-worked housewife to make for the New Year is that she will find time each day for a nap, a rest at least of half an hour, that she will take every other evening for reading or playing games with her children, and at least one afternoon in the week for a social visit, a ride, a walk. These would not be impossible for the busiest woman, who will look carefully into her methods and see if there are not superfluous things that can be made plain and thus save sewing and ironing; cakes and pies and preserves, for which plainer wholesome food can be substituted.

Good-bye, old year, after all we are loath to part. Many precious memories as well as many sad things to remember will be forever linked with thee. But time, this in part and how ever severely thou hast chastened us, yet we feel our hardened feelings melting and a spirit of charity pervades our being. We forgive as we hope to be forgiven. In humility and love we bow our adieu and welcome the New Year with naught but good resolves and high aspirations that each coming day will see our lives better, purer and nobler in every act and purpose.

As you turn the corner into the New Year look back a moment over the road you have been traveling the past year. It seemed a long way when you started out, but it has been traversed at last. Have you been true to your-

Each year as the festive seasons come and go we cannot but note the changes that are wrought, and many of them sad ones, too. Yet, it is singularly true, the heaviest heart can find its solace in the breast of Him that whispers "peace be still!" and there is a calm, how lovely and holy that face that has learned to trust. The world knows little of the burdens of such a heart but Jesus knows it all, that is enough. The world needs our sunshine and not our heaviness of soul, the world needs this glorious light that you may illuminate this Christmas time.

THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM And now the astronomers—who have ever since the day of their profession, the astronomer, been putting forth theories to account for the twinkling of the stars—have the assurance to tell us that the stars do not twinkle at all! Our learned stargazers have, it seems, really known no more about the matter, until recently, than the other children who have learned to repeat.

Twinkle, twinkle, little star, How I wonder what you are.

A few years ago, however, a party of astronomers headed by T. J. J. See, made a series of observations at Flagstaff, Arizona, through a 24-inch refracting telescope, which seems to have satisfactorily demonstrated that the phenomenon which we call twinkling is caused by the rippling of the earth's atmosphere attributable to inequalities of temperature in the different layers. "It is," says Prof. See, "as if one were looking upward thru the water. When the water is at rest the vision is perfect. But if ripples disturb the water the vision is confused. Such a ripple is due to the air and accounts for the twinkling." A method has been found of making the atmospheric waves or ripples actually visible through the telescope. Thus the "twinkling of the stars" like the "rising of this sun" retires to realms of popular misconception. Nevertheless, while the reading world will hereafter possess a bit of wisdom new to this generation, the eyes of childhood in all lands yet will remain as full of interrogation points when looking up to the stars, as they ever have been.

But there remains one star, ever in the ascendant, as it were, drawing nigh, for those alluring conceptions our astronomers discover affords no explanation of the "twinkling of the star of Bethlehem." In the East, in the west as well, in the shop windows in the level eyes of thousands who are planning pleasant surprises for their dear ones—this can't be accounted for by any theory of "atmospheric ripples." Ripples there are in the case to be sure, but they belong to the mighty ocean of Divine Love and in motion by the star of the first rising nineteen hundred years ago, which have never since been stilled, and which are very much in evidence at Christmas tide.

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We hope you had a Merry Christmas and we wish you all

A Happy New Year

I take this opportunity to thank the people of Louisa and surrounding country most heartily for the liberal patronage they have given me

Clean-up Sales

You can not find in our store a great many bargains, especially in the lines of ladies wearing apparel. We are clearing out the season's goods while there is yet time for you to get good wear out of them this season

G. J. CARTER

Department Store

LOUISA, KENTUCKY

SUCCESSOR TO W. H. ADAMS

CHRISTMAS LETTER FROM FRANCE

Mr. Wm. S. Layne, of Potter, received the following letter from his son who has been in France quite a while.

Nov. the 25th, 1918.

Somewhere in France.

Wm. S. Layne, Potter, Ky.

Dear Father:

We are privileged to write a Christmas letter to our fathers telling our experience in France. I am well and hope all are well at home. It is just one month till Christmas so you will just about get this letter by then.

Well I cannot describe everything that has happened since I have been in France but I will tell you of some of the events in which I was concerned.

After an interesting voyage across the ocean we traveled through by train to a village where we went through a period of training. After this we went into the trenches twice with an interval of several days in a rest camp. We were in the trenches about twenty days in all. I only heard a little rifle and machine gun fire the first time but the second time the Germans got real noisy and sent over several different styles of shells ranging from three to nine inches in diameter. These big shells came apart with a vengeance. But though they fell on all sides and shrapnel rained on my steel helmet, I came out all right and this ended my part in trench warfare. After a while we had an experience in open warfare and I might say that the two drives that I was in were real battles all right. We were well shelled and our men were stopped. Well, fortunately, they all got by me and I was very, very lucky to get thru without a scratch. Also got some good wildfowl of German gas, but of course I didn't sniff it long for I had my gas mask handy.

I saw several Germans surrendering "Kamerad."

We are now at a pretty little town called Passavant which I think is north of and no great distance from Dijon, a large city of France.

I am sending a picture which shows only a small part of the town. You can see the railroad bridge with arches probably 100 feet high. Our billets are on top of the hill on the right. Our parade ground is in the level field on the left of the road. The town is to the left. Hoping you will have a pleasant Christmas.

ELGIN.

YATESVILLE. Our Sunday school is progressing nicely.

The pie supper was a great success. A large congregation and plenty of good pies.

Chester Diamond, who has been working at Logan, W. Va., has returned home to spend the holidays.

Ollie Short was calling on friends here recently.

B. P. Diamond and son, Tom, have left for Florida where they will spend the winter.

Misses Marie Roberts and Maud Queen of Cadmus, passed through our town Sunday.

John M. Bentley, who has been in the service, has returned to spend the holidays with home folks.

Save Taxes

YOU DON'T PAY TAXES ON MONEY DEPOSITED IN OUR BANK. YOU DON'T EVEN GIVE IT IN TO THE ASSESSOR. BUT IF YOU KEEP YOUR MONEY IN YOUR POCKET OR HIDDEN AROUND THE HOUSE YOU MUST PAY MORE THAN ONE DOLLAR PER \$100 TAXES ON IT. THEREFORE, USE GOOD BUSINESS JUDGMENT AND DEPOSIT YOUR MONEY IN THIS BANK.

THE
LOUISA NATIONAL
BANK

CORNER MAIN STREET, LOUISA, KENTUCKY.

PIKEVILLE

Receives Ten Thousand Dollars From Soldier.

Mr. Bud Smith, Canada, Ky., uncle of District Agricultural Agent K. L. Varney, is notified by the War Risk Insurance Department that he is the beneficiary in a policy carried by a Mr. Vance who joined the army from

Canada, Pike county. Mr. Vance had been employed on a logging job on Meathouse fork of Big Creek. And at the time of going into the army, was staying with Mr. Smith. Immediately upon going into the service he took out \$10,000 insurance, payable in case of his death to Mr. Smith, but at no time did this gentleman dream of such a thing.

In the last days of Argonne Forest he was killed in defense of liberty and



Cattle Buying for Swift & Company

Swift & Company buys more than 9000 head of cattle, on an average, every market day.

Each one of them is "sized up" by experts.

Both the packer's buyer and the commission salesman must judge what amount of meat each animal will yield, and how fine it will be, the grading of the hide, and the quantity and quality of the fat.

Both must know market conditions for live stock and meat throughout the country. The buyer must know where the different qualities, weights, and kinds of cattle can be best marketed as beef.

If the buyer pays more than the animal is worth, the packer loses money on it. If he offers less, another packer, or a shipper, or feeder, gets it away from him.

If the seller accepts too little, the live-stock raiser gets less than he is entitled to. If he holds out for more than it is worth, he fails to make a sale.

A variation of a few cents in the price per hundred pounds is a matter of vital importance to the packer, because it means the difference between profit and loss.

Swift & Company,
U. S. A.



In course of time Mr. Smith was notified. This will make the old age of this good citizen free from care and want. Having raised a large family, two of whom are now in the army, he has always been a hard working, substantial citizen, and his friends will rejoice to know that he has been thus honored by a defender of his country.

Will Move to Ashland.

Ed Stephenson was in Ashland looking for a residence as he expects to move there with his family at an early date. Mr. Stephenson is among the city's most able lawyers and has enjoyed a wide practice here for several years in partnership with P. B. Stratton. He will continue the practice of his profession at Ashland.

Pikeville regrets very much to lose these nice people.

Pretty Baby.

Born, recently, to Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Williamson, a baby daughter. The little one weighed nine pounds and has been named Kathryn Bell, after her grandmother Mrs. Bell Williamson and Mrs. Kate D. Hatcher.

A Busy Man.

Supt. C. A. Warden, of Heller, is about the busiest man in town. He is general superintendent of Coalale, Big Branch, Henry Clay and Lookout Coal Works. He is mayor of Heller and chairman of Cumberland Graded School Board. He is also interested in anything that tends to uplift the community.

To Louisville For Treatment.

Policeman Emory Thornsbury left Wednesday morning for Louisville where he will consult a specialist. Mr. Thornsbury has been a victim of stomach trouble for some time.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Forsyth, an eight pound boy.

Slumber Party.

Miss Lavonne Honaker entertained a number of her girl friends with a slumber party at her home Friday night.

Visiting Relatives.

Mrs. Russell Vanover of Holoken, N. J., is here the guest of her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rosecoe Vanover.

In-Navy.

Abel Hughes with the U. S. Navy, stationed at Norfolk, Va., was the guest of his brother, Dr. G. H. Hughes and family this week. He went on to Yeager to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Hughes.

Aged Citizen Ill.

Uncle Jimmy Taylor among this county's oldest and best citizens has been quite ill at his farm near Coal Run for the past few days.

Baptist Pastor Ill.

Rev. C. C. Daves, eminent pastor of Baptist church, this city, is recovering from a severe case of influenza. Rev. Daves has been unable to fill his pulpit. His friends hope that he will soon be out.

T. A. Goff Returns.

Mrs. Hester Goff came down from Millard and met her husband F. A. Goff who arrived safely Saturday evening from Camp Taylor. Mr. Goff was among the first Pike county boys to enter training for the army.

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Returned From Ohio.

Miss Alice Record returned from Cleveland, Ohio and other points. From France.

George Collins, son of Enos Collins, of Van, Letcher county, is among the wounded soldiers brought to the Camp Taylor hospital. He recently returned from overseas.

Splendid Entertainment.

The first number of the Lyceum courses was given at the Presbyterian church by Arthur Evans, who spoke on "What America Means to Me." The audience was much pleased. Four other entertainments are to be given this year in the course.

Visited Sister.

Miss Daisy Binney returned to Elkhorn City after a visit to her sister, Mrs. Jas. England.

Returns From Charleston.

Mrs. Pluma Campbell, who has been at Charleston, W. Va., in a training school for nurses is visiting relatives.

Returns Home.

Miss Lorraine Bowles, who attends college at Sweetbrier, Virginia, is at home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bowles.

Return From West Baden.

Mrs. Kentucky Powers, who had two attacks of influenza, and went to West Baden Springs some three weeks ago, returned greatly improved.

Dr. Z. A. Thompson and Mr. James Sowards, also returned from the Springs where they had spent two weeks.

REAL ESTATE

J. P. GARTIN, Louisa, Ky.
General Dealer.

I buy and sell Real Estate of all kinds. Also, will handle property on commission. If you want to buy or sell town or country property, call on me.

WAR IS GONE

AND YET THE GOVERNMENT STILL ASKS FOR

PEACE IS COME

Bookkeepers and Stenographers

PREPARE for this line of work NOW. DELAY may be COSTLY.

We can take teachers and in from four to six months qualify them for positions which pay all the way from \$75 to \$125 a month, and continue twelve months out of the year instead of six or eight.

We can take pupils who have finished the eighth grade and make good stenographers and bookkeepers out of them, so they can draw salaries anywhere from \$50 to \$90 a month.

We can take boys or girls who have not gone as far as the eighth grade and in our PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT make up for any deficiency in their education so as to make splendid bookkeepers and stenographers out of them.

This is the ONLY BUSINESS SCHOOL in the state that owns its building, therefore, anyone has a right to presume that what we do or say has ample financial backing to make it good.

Our TEACHERS are the best that can be had, their teaching is practical and that is the main reason why our pupils are generally successful.

We enroll a HIGH CLASS of pupils so that when they are qualified, we can place them in positions and recommend them in every way to the business man.

NOW is the time to enter, but if you cannot enter now, do not make it later than December 30, when our spring term opens. Write at once for particulars and get busy RIGHT NOW.

Boothe Business School

Boothe Corner

HUNTINGTON, W. VA.

Boothe Building

WALBRIDGE.

Pvt. Luther T. Peters recently returned home from camp. He has been mustered out and received the position he held with a firm in Portsmouth before entering the army. Mrs. Peters accompanied him and both returned Tuesday to Portsmouth.

Mrs. J. Crit See visited her brother, Dr. John Bartram, of Ashland. She returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Wells received a telegram Tuesday that their son, Will, had arrived safely in New York. They also have a letter from Talmage stating he is well.

Word has been received from Dover Peters and Kenneth Peters since the armistice was signed and both are safe. Privates John J. C. See and John Asch have returned home from Camp Sheridan, Ala. They have been mustered out. Weitzel Peters of the same camp is expected home soon and Lacey Williamson is expected home on a furlough to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Frances Williamson.

Mrs. Drizza Peters will spend the holidays with her cousin, Miss Eliza Chapman, of Huntington.

Mrs. J. Haritwick and Mrs. Henry Boothe were shopping in Louisa.

A. C. Ferrell, of Logan, and son, Charles, of Russell, came home Sunday to spend Christmas.

Otis Ferrell returned home Tuesday from a visit to his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Mares, of Boldman, Pike county.

The progressive citizens of our community are very much interested in the meeting called Jan. 3 to Paintsville to discuss plans for the highway from Ashland to Pikeville.

The Roll Call campaign is progressing fairly well considering the now disease called "flu-thru-enza" that seems to be raging but the workers hope to do much good considering the obstacles.

The Union S. S. will have a Christmas tree and a short program will be rendered by the small pupils.

Russell Haws, of Ashland is visiting his grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Sam See.

Mrs. Laud Holt had the misfortune to fall and three ribs were broken. Her many friends hope for her speedy recovery.

BAD COLD? HEAD-ACHY AND NOSE STUFFED

"PAPE'S COLD COMPOUND" ENDS COLDS AND GRIPPE IN A FEW HOURS.

Take "Pape's Cold Compound" every two hours until you have taken three doses, then all grippe misery goes and your cold will be broken. It promptly opens your clogged-up nostrils and the air passages of the head; stops nasty discharge or nose running; relieves the headache, dullness, feverishness, sore throat, sneezing, soreness and stiffness. Don't stay stuffed up! Quit blowing and snuffling. Ease your throbbing head—nothing else in the world gives such prompt relief as "Pape's Cold Compound," which costs only a few cents at any drug store. It acts without assistance, tastes nice, and causes no inconvenience. Accept no substitutes.

CATLETTSBURG

Marriages.

Elmer G. Brown, 24, Portsmouth, O., Ruby Lyman, 18, Ferguson, W. Va. E. Alva Lambert, 25, Vaughan, Trogdon, 21, both of Wayne, W. Va.

Marriage Reported.

The marriage of Dr. Henry Hatcher popular dentist formerly of this place and Mrs. Lillian Clarke Nunn, late of Louisville is announced. Dr. Hatcher and Mrs. Nunn were reared near together and were very old friends. She was formerly of Harold, Ky., then lived at Pikeville, later in Florida and New York and then in Louisville. She is a strikingly beautiful woman and is much admired.

Very Ill.

Mrs. Charles Carpenter, estimable matron is very ill of influenza at her home and a trained nurse has been secured.

Mrs. Vina Coldiron-Farley leaves for Phelps, Pike county, Ky. to place her little six-year-old daughter, Gilberta in Matthew Scott Academy.

Youngest Soldier.

Unless information at hand is incorrect, Gus Ratcliff, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Ratcliff, of Garner, Boyd county, was the youngest man in the United States army to give up his life that freedom and democracy might live. Young Ratcliff, whose death in action was recently reported was less than fifteen years of age when he was struck by a German bullet and fatally wounded.

Gus, who was large for his age, enlisted in the navy when he was but fourteen years of age. His parents got him out of the navy because of his youth, but he shortly afterwards enlisted in the army and was sent to the front, where he made the supreme sacrifice for the ideals he held above all else.

Dick Ratcliff, a brother of the youthful hero, is in France. The two brothers met on the ship enroute to France but were separated upon landing.

A nephew of the Ratcliff boys named Lewis whose home was near Grayson was killed in France at the age of seventeen.

J. H. Ross Writes.

Mrs. J. L. Ross, of Rush, is in receipt of a letter from her son, John Henry Ross, whose name recently appeared in the casualty list, which proves the fact that the report of his serious injury was incorrect. Mr. Ross was injured August 13th but was soon able to report back for duty. His letter received this week shows him to be in good health and spirits.

BLAINE.

Mrs. L. C. Swetnam spent a few days last week with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Nancy Roberts Swetnam, who has typhoid fever.

Mrs. and Mrs. M. M. Walter attended the funeral of their daughter, In-law, Mrs. Roscoe Walters, at Catlettsburg Friday.

Born, to David Osborn and wife, a fine boy—Robert.

Ernest Moore made a business trip to Louisa one day last week. Chas. Edwards, of Louisa, is home for the holidays.

Mrs. Lucy Swetnam and little daughter, Mildred were calling on Mrs. Lizzie Moore Saturday.

John and Sarah Swetnam were calling on friends on Cherokee Sunday. X. Y. Z.

WE DREAM ABOUT SHOES

All our time, attention, capital and thought are invested in the shoe business.

Awake or asleep, footwear is the burden of our brain. Then

doesn't it stand

to reason that we

can give you better

service than the

stores that carry

shoes as a side line?

Modern Repair Equipment

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TRY IT! SUBSTITUTE FOR NASTY CALOMEL

Starts your liver without making you sick and can not salivate.

Every druggist in town—your druggist and everybody's druggist has noticed a great falling off in the sale of calomel. They all give the same reason. Dodson's Liver Tonic is taking its place.

"Calomel is dangerous and people know it, while Dodson's Liver Tonic is perfectly safe and gives better results and a prominent local druggist, Dodson's Liver Tonic is personally guaranteed by every druggist who sells it. A large bottle costs but a few cents, and if it fails to give easy relief in every case of liver sluggishness and constipation, you have only to ask for your money back.

Dodson's Liver Tonic is a pleasant tasting, purely vegetable remedy, harmless to both children and adults. Take a spoonful at night and wake up feeling fine; no biliousness, sick headache, acid stomach or constipated bowels. It doesn't gripe or cause inconvenience all the next day like violent calomel.